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DOINGS ABOUT TOWN.

Local Paragraphs Picked up by Pungent Pencil Pusher.

Good work mare, weigh 1100 pounds 10 years old, for sale. Inquire at this office.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Gilson, of Chillicothe, were in Laclede Wednesday.

Roller skating tonight. There was a large crowd out last Saturday night and all had a fine time.

Miss Wood, of England, who has spent the winter here with her cousin, Mrs. N. E. Fletcher, has gone to Chicago on a visit.

H. E. Weld, who bought the Fife farm and moved here a few weeks ago from Iowa, called last Saturday and joined our list of readers on route 2.

THE BLADE is prepared to print horse and jack bills on short notice. We have a variety of fine cuts and do the work right and at the right price.

If you are going to paint your house or barn, find out what the Becker-Moore Paint will do. It's guaranteed. Ask J. H. Brown about it.

Mrs. Murtis Jackson, who had been here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Wroe, for a month, returned to her home at Sheridan, Wyoming, Wednesday.

The annual school election will be held on Tuesday, April 3, at which two members of the board of directors are to be elected. The terms of E. B. Allen and R. J. Ormsby expire at that time.

J. B. Wilson, the horse buyer, is in Laclede today. He wants horses, mares and mules that are broke and in good flesh. If you have anything in this line for sale, see him at Power's livery barn.

John Transburg, a sturdy Illinois farmer who moved here recently, called last Saturday and enrolled with THE BLADE for a year. Mr. Transburg lives on the Groes farm east of town and is a patron of route 3.

We will, on April 7 give free of charge to the person that brings in one vehicle at one time and unloads in front of the Owl Pharmacy and registers the same in a book that will be kept in our store for that purpose, the largest number of women, eight dollars' (\$8.00) worth of any wall paper in the house. For the second largest number, four dollars' (\$4.00) worth of any wall paper in the house. The Owl Pharmacy.

John P. Davis has been here the past week from West Plains on business and visiting relatives and friends. While helping to move a building several weeks ago Mr. Davis got his back hurt and is not yet able to do any work. He owns a farm near West Plains, but has rented it out for this season. He reports the former Laclede people at West Plains, including D. R. Graves and family, W. C. Ring and family and Mr. and Mrs. Drummond, as well and prospering.

Wm. Adcox, organizer for the Married Men's League of America, is now in Laclede for the purpose of organizing a local league of that order. Mr. Adcox has been in the insurance business a number of years and expects to do a good business here. The M. M. L. has about 185 lodges in this state, and has paid out in death claims in Missouri up to date about \$90,000. It has flourishing lodges at Brookfield, Wheeling, Dawn, Chillicothe, Chula, Breckenridge, Triplett, St. Joseph, Macon, Moberly, Kirksville, Brunswick, Glasgow and many other towns in this part of the state. It insures married or unmarried of either sex. The M. M. L. pays full face of policy at death or in case of total disability 10 per cent annually for ten years.

From Over the County.

J. L. Richardson, a switchman in the Santa Fe yards at Marceline, was caught while making a coupling on Tuesday and injured so badly that he died within a few hours.

The fellow who is now complaining the loudest about the irregular service on rural routes will be the last one to get out and drag the roads when they need it to improve the service.

The Marceline Mirror is authority for the statement that D. J. Buckley, the present sheriff of Linn county, will not be a candidate for a second term, as he prefers to move back to his farm in Yellow Creek township.

At a meeting of the Brookfield fair association held last week, an appropriation of \$3,500 was made for improvements on grounds and a larger and more modern amphitheater. The fair will be held this year on August 14 to 17, inclusive.

A freight car was broken into at Browning last week and robbed of \$25 worth of goods. Suspicion pointed to John Brown and Tom Bivens. The boys were arrested, plead guilty and the goods were recovered. They are now in jail at Linneus awaiting trial at the next term of circuit court.

Chas. A. Hetrick has bought a lot in Brookfield and as soon as he can erect a building will move his broom factory from his farm north of town to Brookfield. Mr. Hetrick has been trying for the past year to get a building lot in Laclede, but not being able to secure a suitable one, had to look elsewhere.

In speaking of the debate last week the Marceline Mirror said: "High praise is given the people of Laclede, to the superintendent of the Laclede schools, Prof. E. M. Sipple, and to the pupils of the high school, for the warm reception and courteous treatment accorded the visitors from Marceline. At the close of the debate, a most welcome and delicious repast was served in the reception room of the school building, which was enjoyed by the delegation from Marceline, as well as by other visitors and citizens."

From Oklahoma.

DEAR EDITOR:—Our subscription to THE BLADE has expired. Enclosed please find one dollar to renew for 1906. This leaves us all well. We are indeed sorry to hear of so many deaths among our Linn county friends. So far in March the weather has been gloomy, but begins to look better now. Farmers here are most all done plowing and are getting ready to plant corn. I have just finished drilling in ten acres of oats for myself and am now helping a neighbor. Most of the oats are being drilled in this spring. I have my farm all fenced and cross fenced with two and three wires. Have sold my town property and am spending the proceeds improving my farm. Have five cows, three calves, a span of mules and a span of mares. Mules are very high here, selling from \$200 to \$300. Grass is looking green. Peaches, apricots and nectarines are in bloom. Lots of early garden made. Roads fine—dry and dusty. We have no such mud and freezing as you have in Missouri. Would like to hear from others, through THE BLADE, who have moved to other parts from Linn county. When THE BLADE comes to hand, all work is stopped to scan its pages. Best wishes to all. W. LIBBY. Sedalia, Okla., March 15.

Card of Thanks.

I take this method of publicly thanking my old neighbors and friends of Laclede for their kind assistance and expressions of sympathy during my late bereavement. and shall ever hold them in grateful remembrance. J. J. CLOUGH.

HERE AND THERE.

Local Items of the Week Gathered For the Busy Blade Readers.

Rev. Wm. Sissons will preach at the Presbyterian church tomorrow. His subject for morning service will be, "Things that made Pentecost possible." Evening subject, "A temperance sermon." All are cordially invited to attend these services.

On account of the bad condition of the roads, J. H. Brown has changed the date of the annual wall paper opening at the Owl Pharmacy from March 31 to April 7. He has just received the largest shipment of wall paper ever brought to Laclede—nearly a car load—and will have it on display at the opening.

The county board of education, composed of A. W. Baker, of Brookfield; E. M. Sipple, of Laclede; and M. R. Darling, of Meadville, is holding the regular examination for teachers' certificates at the Laclede school building. The session began yesterday morning and will continue throughout today.

Mrs. Clay makes an important announcement in THE BLADE today concerning the new stock of millinery she has just opened up in her rooms at the Lockridge residence. Mrs. Clay is an experienced milliner, and having spent some time in the trimming department of the best wholesale houses, is prepared to offer the ladies of Laclede and vicinity the season's best creations and novelties. She invites you to call and see her.

Albert Margrave, of Sweetwater, Okla., has been spending a few days with old friends in Laclede this week and called and renewed for THE BLADE. He says his father and mother have better health than when they left here five years ago. They own a 160 acre farm near Sweetwater and are getting along quite well, which their friends here are glad to hear. "Dick" came here from Kansas City, where he had undergone an operation for abdominal tumor, and is recovering nicely.

Henry Jacobs, who has had charge of the Burlington section between Laclede and Forker for the past year, has been transferred to Mt. Sterling, Iowa, and left with his family for that place Monday. During their residence here, Mr. and Mrs. Jacobs made many friends for themselves, who regret their departure but take pleasure in recommending them to the good people of Mt. Sterling. Walter Landree, a brother of Mrs. Jacobs, accompanied them and will make his home at Mt. Sterling.

The coming of Lanes' Orchestral Band to the DeGraw in Brookfield on April 6 will be the greatest musical festival ever given in Linn county. Within a few days Prof. Treumann will be in Laclede with a diagram of the DeGraw and our people will be given choice of seats, as they will not be put on sale in Brookfield until March 28. The concert will be given in the afternoon, beginning at 1 o'clock. Those attending from Laclede can go down on the noon train and return on 41 at 3:50.

Wm. M. Watson has sold two acres off the north side of his five-acre square in the east suburb to P. Z. White and one acre next to Mr. White's to Al. Willard. Both parties will build as soon as material can be placed on the ground. Mr. Watson will probably build on the corner, though he has not yet fully decided as to that. All will be neat and modern dwellings, and will be valuable improvements to the residence portion of the town. Following this deal, on Thursday Mr. Watson bought a five-acre tract of Jas. Wilkins in a square just south of the Reeder property, at \$100 per acre.

Some Evening Reveries.

Society is full of failures that need never have been made; full of men who have never succeeded; full of women who in the first half of their days did nothing but eat and sleep and simmer, and in the last half have done nothing but perpetuate their follies and weaknesses. The world is full, we say, of people; full of men in every trade and profession, who do not amount to anything; and we do not speak irreverently and, we trust, not without due charity, without making due allowance for the inevitable in life, when we say that God and thoughtful men are weary of their presence. Every boy ought to improve on his father; every girl grow into a nobler, gentler, more self-denying womanhood than the mother. No production of former types will give the world the perfect types. We know not where the millenium is, as measured by distance of time; but we do know, and so do you, that it is a great way off as measured by human growth and expansion. We have no such men and women yet—no age has ever had any—as shall stand on the earth in that age of peace that will not come until men are worthy of it.

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Many of us miss the joys that might be ours by keeping our eyes fixed on those of other people. No one can enjoy his own opportunities for happiness while he is envious of another's. We lose a great deal of the joy of living by not cheerfully accepting the small pleasures that come to us every day, instead of longing and wishing for what belongs to others. We do not take any pleasure in our own modest horse and carriage, because we long for the automobile or victoria that some one else owns. The edge is taken off the enjoyment of our own little home because we are watching the palatial residence of our neighbor. We can get no satisfaction out of a trolley ride into the country or a sail on a river steamer, because some one else can enjoy the luxury of his own carriage or yacht. Life has its full measure of happiness for every one of us, if we would only make up our minds to make the very most of every opportunity that comes our way, instead of longing for the things that come our neighbor's way.

The Court House Election.

The proposition to build a \$50,000 court house at Linneus was voted down by a decisive majority at the special election held last Tuesday. Notwithstanding the horrible condition of the roads, the farming districts were fairly well represented and the vote was large enough to show that the proposition was not what the people desire. Below we give the vote by townships:

	YES	NO
Baker township	18	50
Benton, north	133	15
Benton, south	47	45
Brookfield, 1st precinct	9	280
Brookfield, 2nd precinct	8	325
Brookfield, 3d precinct	5	228
Brookfield, 4th precinct	4	207
Bucklin township	90	45
Clay	126	3
Enterprise	6	24
Grantsville	27	11
Jackson	159	7
Jefferson	26	249
Locust Creek	377	11
Marceline, east	58	32
Marceline, west	125	52
North Salem	32	6
Parson Creek	76	120
Yellow Creek	3	112
Totals	1338	1852
Majority against		514

Notice.

If you want any views or portrait photographs made, leave notice at the Foreman House and I will make them at your residence any time that is most convenient for you. Regular \$3.50 cabinets, \$2.00 per dozen.

Respectfully,

C. SEVERA.

T. M. Jones has moved to town and is occupying the residence he recently purchased of Henry Smith.

A WASHINGTON WEDDING.

J. H. Brunemer and Mrs. Fletcher S. Kidd United by the Blind Chaplain.

J. H. Brunemer, a former citizen and for a number of years postmaster at Laclede, was married on March 7, 1906, to Mrs. Fletcher S. Kidd, in Washington, D. C., the ceremony being conducted by Rev. H. N. Couden, the blind chaplain of the house of representatives. The bride is a former citizen of Fennimore, Wis., where many years ago Mr. Brunemer also lived. An account of the wedding printed in the Fennimore Times says:

"A small party, mostly relatives and Wisconsin friends, gave added joy to the event and partook of the wedding breakfast with prolonged festivity, after which the gay young couple departed for parts unknown, whither our guardian care can no longer follow. There were presents, of course, oodles of them, and palms and bouquets and posies from the high-priced florists.

"The bride looked radiant with her abundant raven hair and sparkling eyes and jewels, and her attire of pearl gray brocaded silk and with orange blossoms from head to foot—that is, a spray of them in the hair and upon the front of each slipper."

Mrs. J. H. Preston Shot.

Mrs. Mary Preston received a slight wound in the fleshy part of one thigh by the accidental discharge of a shotgun in the hands of her husband at the Preston home east of town last Monday. Mr. Preston had taken down the gun to shoot a rabbit that was in the yard. The thumb part of the hammer was broken off and he undertook to cock it by putting a string around the trigger. The string broke and the gun was discharged, the full load of No. 4 shot striking the seat of a wooden chair in which Mrs. Preston was seated. The shot penetrated the chair about three inches and ranged upward, tearing a large hole in her clothing and making a wound about two inches long but not deep. Dr. Standly was called and dressed the wound, and it is thought no serious results will follow. It was certainly a close call.

Death of Mrs. Clough.

Mrs. Jas. J. Clough died at her home in Coffeyville, Kansas, on Friday, March 16, after an illness of more than two years of cancer. Mr. Clough arrived in Laclede with the remains Sunday night, the funeral being held at the M. E. church Monday morning, conducted by Rev. Robison. Burial in the Laclede cemetery.

Jennie L. Snodgrass was born in Marietta, Ohio, Jan. 18, 1851; came to Laclede in 1873; was united in marriage to Jas. J. Clough, who survives her, October 8, 1874. Mr. and Mrs. Clough removed to Coffeyville one year ago last November.

The deceased was held in high esteem by a large circle of friends who extend their sympathy to the bereaved husband.

Notice.

On account of the bad roads, we have decided to continue our Grand Opening Sale on farm machinery, buggies and wagons two weeks longer, closing April 14th. Be sure to visit us, as it means money to you if you are needing anything in our line.

Yours truly,

A. E. BETTELHEIM & Co.,
Phone 38. Brookfield, Mo.

A Lively Tumble.

With that old enemy of the race, constipation, often ends in appendicitis. To avoid all serious trouble with stomach, liver and bowels, take Dr. King's New Life Pills. They perfectly regulate these organs, without pain or discomfort. 25c at W. R. Barton's drug store.